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For:	Space Efficient Backup Technique In A Storage System	§	Docket No.:	200304405-1

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In response to the Office action of May 7, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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